

## Message Text

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TAGS: PINS VS

SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR PACM

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM CONGEN CAN THO IS REPEATED FOR  
DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION: BEGIN TEXT:

1. BUDDHIST SOCIAL WELFARE NATIONAL HEAD, WHICH NHAT THIEN, WHO IS  
OLE PERSONAL FRIEND, TOLD ME TODAY THAT MAJORITY OF AN QUANG  
COLLEAGUES, INCLUDING TRI QUANG, WOULD NOT COOPERATE WITH FATHER  
THANH'S PACM IN ANTI-THIEU MANIFESTATION. SAID MAIN REASON IS  
FEAR THAT CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP AT THIS DANGEROUS TIME IN  
COUNTRY'S HISTORY COULD PLAY INTO VC HANDS. OTHER ALMOST EQUALLY  
POETENT REASON FOR THEIR REFUSAL ASSOCIATE WITH PACM IS PRESENCE  
MANY REVOLUTIONARY DAI VIETS IN FATHER THANH'S ENTOURAGE. THICH  
NHAT THIEN POINTED OUT THAT THESE ARE VERY PEOPLE WHO PARTICIPATED  
AND PROFITED FROM SUPPRESSION OF BUDDHIST STRUGGLE MOVEMENT IN 1966.  
TRI QUANG AND OTHER MILITANT BUDDHISTS WILL NOT FORGIVE OR FORGET  
DAI VIET BRUTALITIES AND OPPORTUNISM.

2. THICH NHAT THIEN ALSO INFORMED ME THAT FATHER THANH ARRIVED  
CAN THO AFTER SEPTEMBER 24. HE ASSUMES THANH WILL TRY TO  
ORGANIZE DEMONSTRATIONS IN DELTA, BUT DOUBTS MANY LOTUS-EATING  
SOUTHERNERS CAN BE INDUCED INTO JOINING PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS  
SUCH AS THOSE MORE CHARACTERISTIC OF CENTRAL  
VIETNAM. MCNAMARA. END TEXT.

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